Development of Hampi as Tourism Centre

1512. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Karnataka has submitted a project for the development of Hampi in the State as a major tourism centre;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the amount of assistance sought for the purpose; and

(c) what is the amount sanctioned so far and the time schedule for releasing the balance amount?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The following projects have been sanctioned for development of Hampi:

2002-03 (Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Development of Hampi as a destination	500.00

2003-04 (Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Sound & Light Show at Hampi	176.00
2.	Hampi Festival	15.00

Government of India has released the first instalment at the time of sanction of the project and the balance amounts are released on the basis of utilisation certificate received from the State Government.

Decline in foreign tourist inflow

1513. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a decline in the foreign tourist inflow after the shock of 9/11, wars in Afghanistan and Iraq scare; and

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the foreign tourists visited India during the last three years, year-wise and country-wise?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) As a result of September 11 incident in USA and its after effect around the world, tourist traffic to India declined till August, 2002 and thereafter showed a positive growth.

(b) The foreign tourist arrivals registered a negative growth of 4.2% and 6.0% during the year 2001 and 2002 as compared to the corresponding previous years. However, a growth of 14.6% has been observed in foreign tourist arrivals during the period January to November, 2003 as compared to the same period of the previous year. A Statement indicating tourist arrivals in India by country of nationality for the years 2000, 2001 and 2002 is enclosed. (*see* below)

Statement

Tourist arrivals in India by country of nationality during 2000, 2001 & 2002

Nationality	2000	2001	2002
Afghanistan	1481	1248	6012
Argentina	3094	2906	1359
Australia	53995	52691	50743
Austria	19185	17787	13801
Bahrain	3738	3945	3754
Bangladesh	414437	431312	435867
Belgium	20230	18851	13945
Bhutan	2893	3571	4123
Brazil	4060	3819	3622
C.I.S.	35988	24831	27973
Canada	84013	88600	93598
China (Main)	14420	13901	15422
China (Taiwan)	7191	4756	7785
Czech Republic	2626	3197	2561

Nationality	2000	2001	2002
Denmark	16272	14531	10230
Egypt	2165	2479	2688
Ethiopia	3552	2897	2535
Fiji	1541	1422	1499
Finland	10553	8186	7673
France	100022	102434	78194
Germany	83881	80011	64891
Greece	4583	3996	3207
Hong Kong	923	918	581
Hungry	2280	1939	1557
Indonesia	8659	7767	8694
Iran	10577	11728	11815
Ireland	6025	6136	5793
Israel	25631	28774	25503
Italy	50419	41351	37136
Japan	98159	80634	59709
Jordan	1611	1428	1768
Kenya	16386	15973	17275
Korea (North)	3237	2535	2178
Korea (South)	23411	27150	29374
Kuwait	1822	1850	1838
Malaysia	60513	57869	63748
Maldives	21633	17564	18826
Mali	80	85	54
Mauritius	14358	16039	14425
Mexico	3334	3473	3105
Myanmar	4636	3417	3037
Nepal	38801	41135	43056
Netherlands	46370	42368	31669
New Zealand	11551	11700	10811
Nigeria	6256	7539	5997

Nationality	2000	2001	2002
Norway	7997	7667	7475
Oman	12616	13114	13256
Pakistan	54902	52762	2946
Philippines	7521	7199	7647
Poland	6284	5181	4468
Portugal	7325	7028	7262
Qatar	1545	1361	1215
Saudi Arabia	10739	9851	8663
Singapore	46612	42824	44306
South Africa	21919	21162	18238
Spain	26050	23073	19567
Sri Lanka	129193	112813	108008
Sudan	3418	2323	1899
Sweden	14717	14446	15330
Switzerland	27432	25308	21606
Syria	1270	1501	1452
Tanzania	7194	6579	7459
Thailand	18607	18623	19649
Turkey	3246	2432	3354
U.A.E.	22559	21483	22027
U.K.	432624	405472	387846
U.S.A.	348292	329147	348182
Yemen Arab Rep.	7980	7773	6772
Zambia	1238	1290	1126
Others	81506	80127	55180
TOTAL	2649378	2537282	2384364

Travel and tourism competitiveness monitor

1514. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the recently